### **Nutrient limitation analysis**

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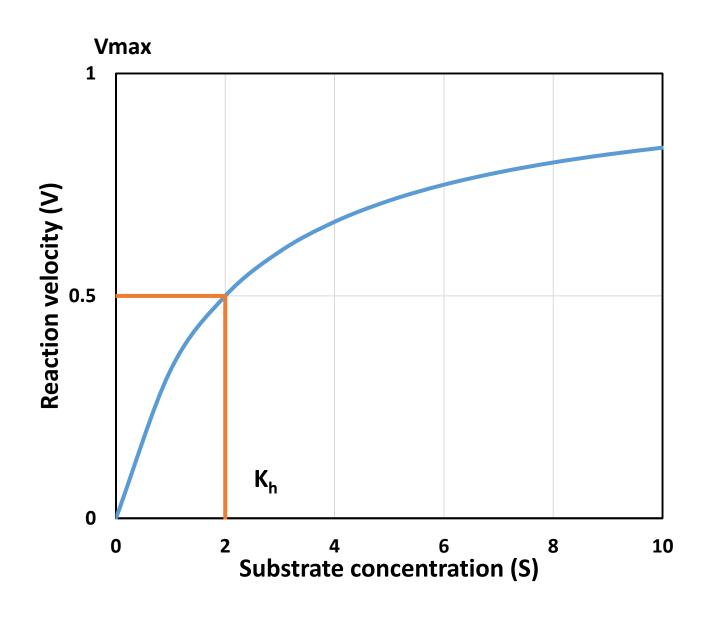
#### **OUTLINE**

- History and determination
- Light limitation factor
- Bio-assay result summary from literature
- Nutrient limitation based on data
- Modeled nutrient limitation from CH3D-ICM

# Nutrient limitation and determination

- Liebig law of minimum (1842)
- Bioassay to determine nutrient limitation
- Michealis-Menten function (1913):

$$f(N) = \frac{N}{N + K_h}$$



#### Application in biological growth rate

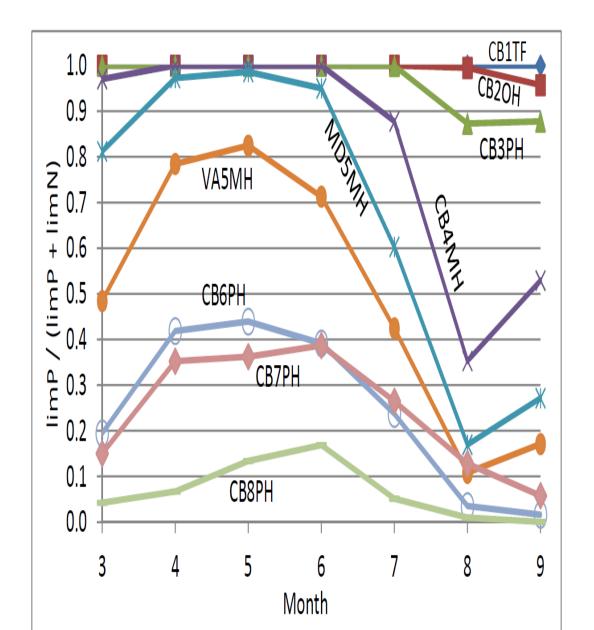
- Monod equation (1941)
- Disc function (1959)
- Application in nutrient (Dugdale, 1967)
- Light limitation: Michealis-Menten and Smith:

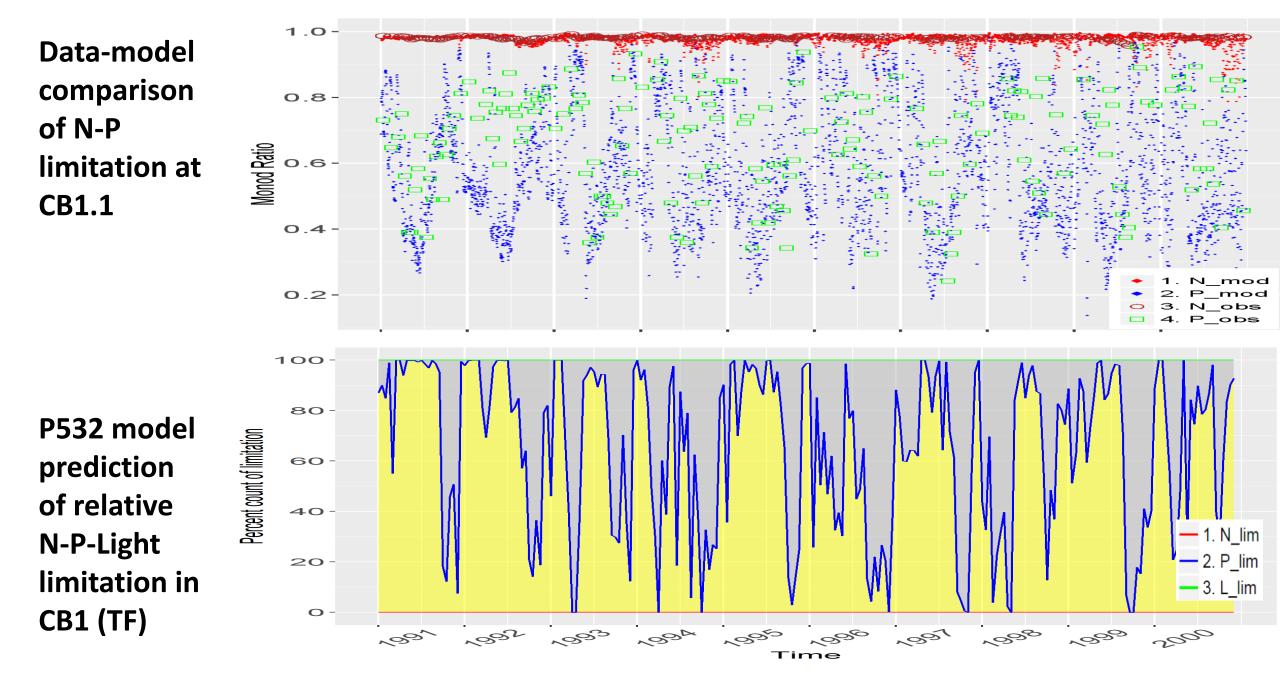
$$f(I) = \frac{I}{\sqrt{I^2 + I_h^2}}$$

## Spatio-temporal N-P limitation based on bioassay (Kemp, Fisher)

#### Main Stem Chesapeake Bay 50 Distance from Susquehanna R., km 150 P-Limitation N-Limitation 200 N+P Limit 250 300 0 Month

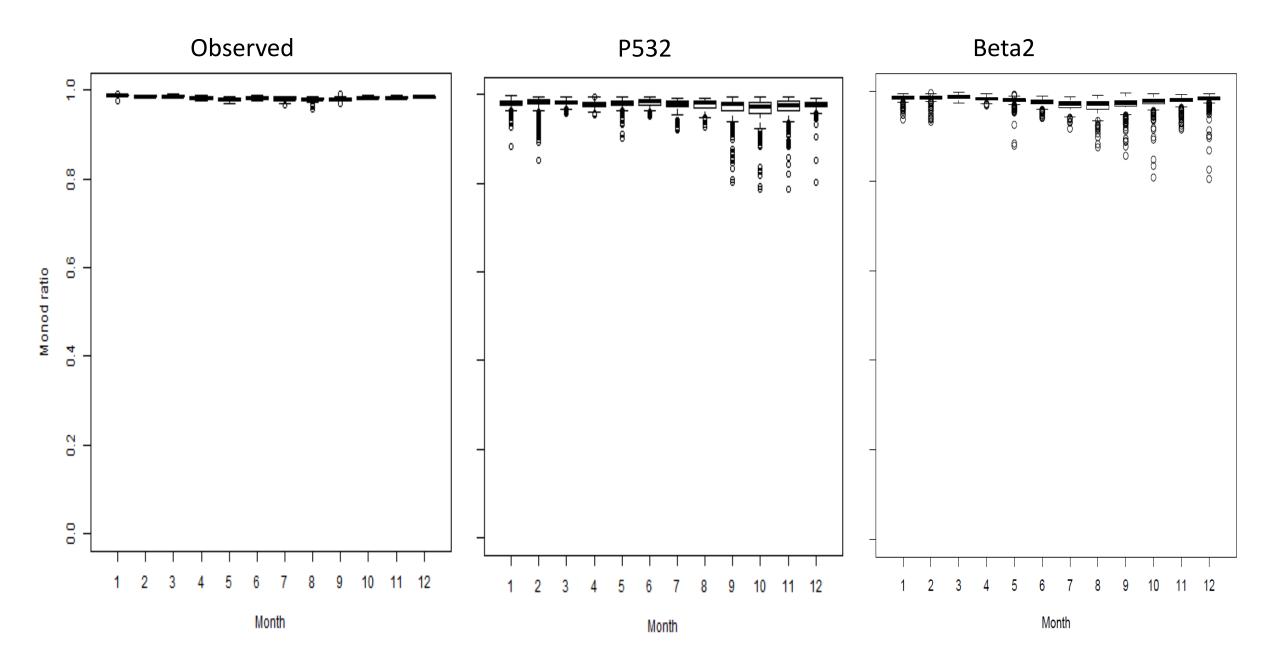
# Spatio-temporal N-P limitation based on P532 model prediction



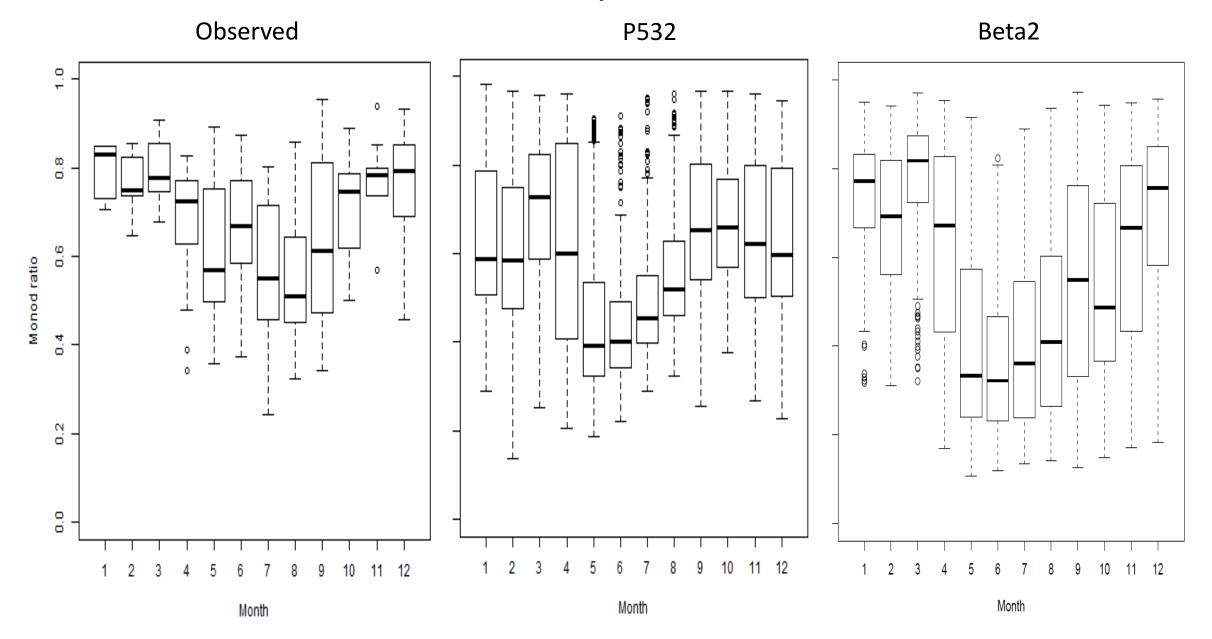


Relative counts of cell & day in every 15 days that had stronger limitation

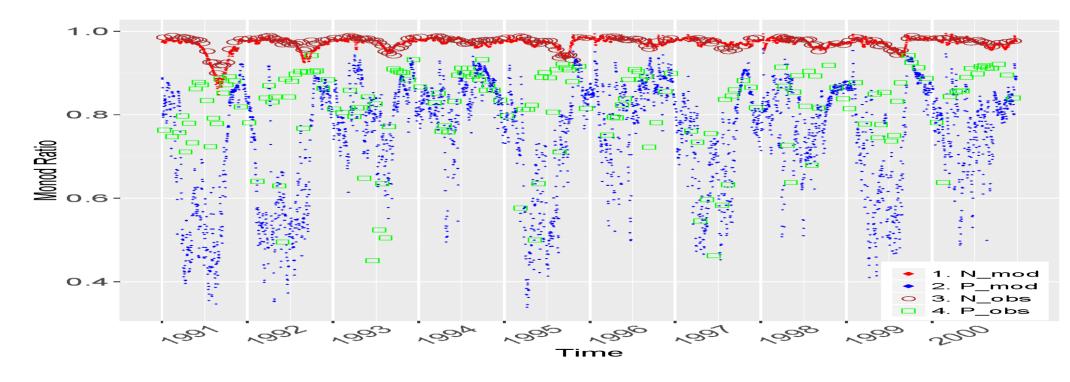
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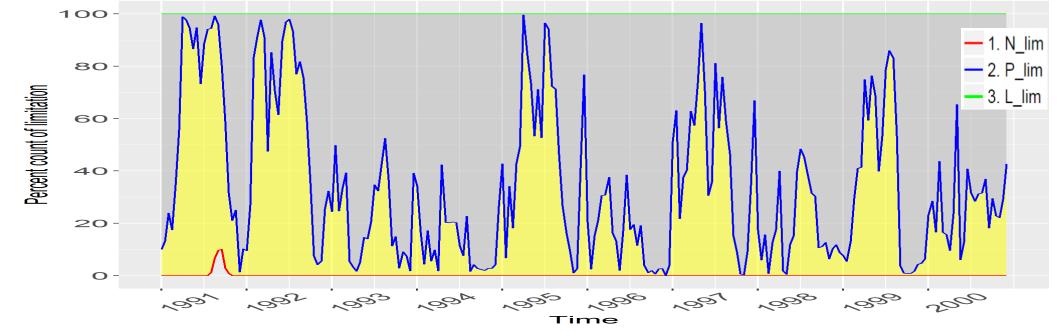
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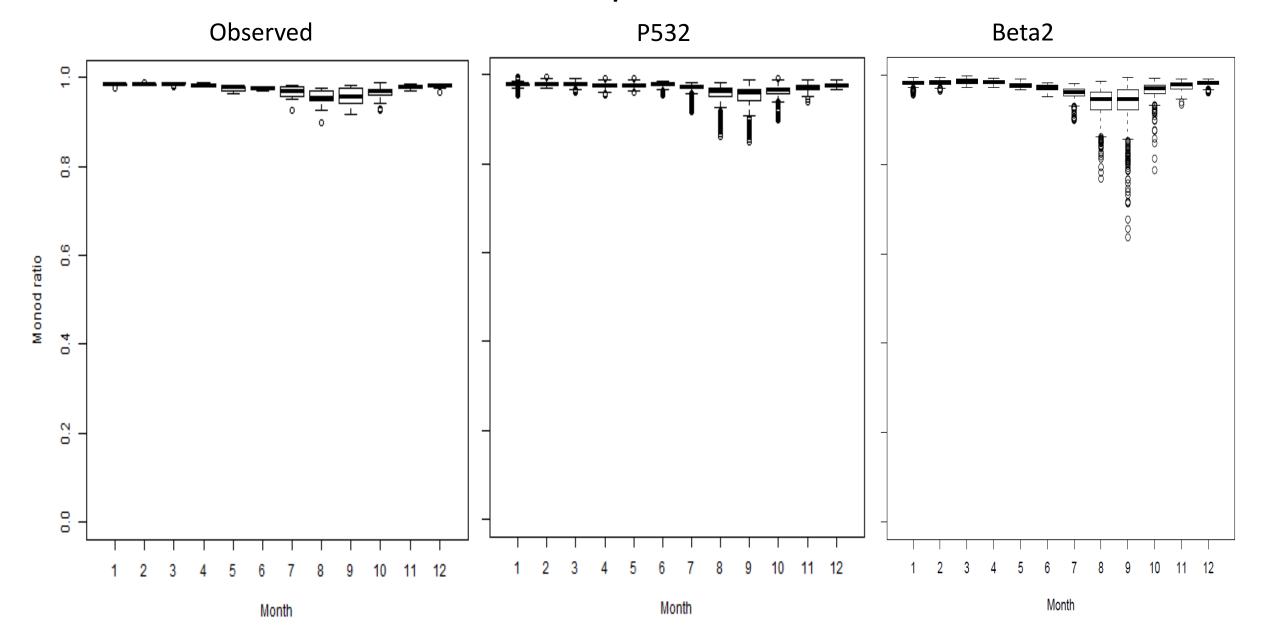
Data-model comparison of N-P limitation at CB2.2



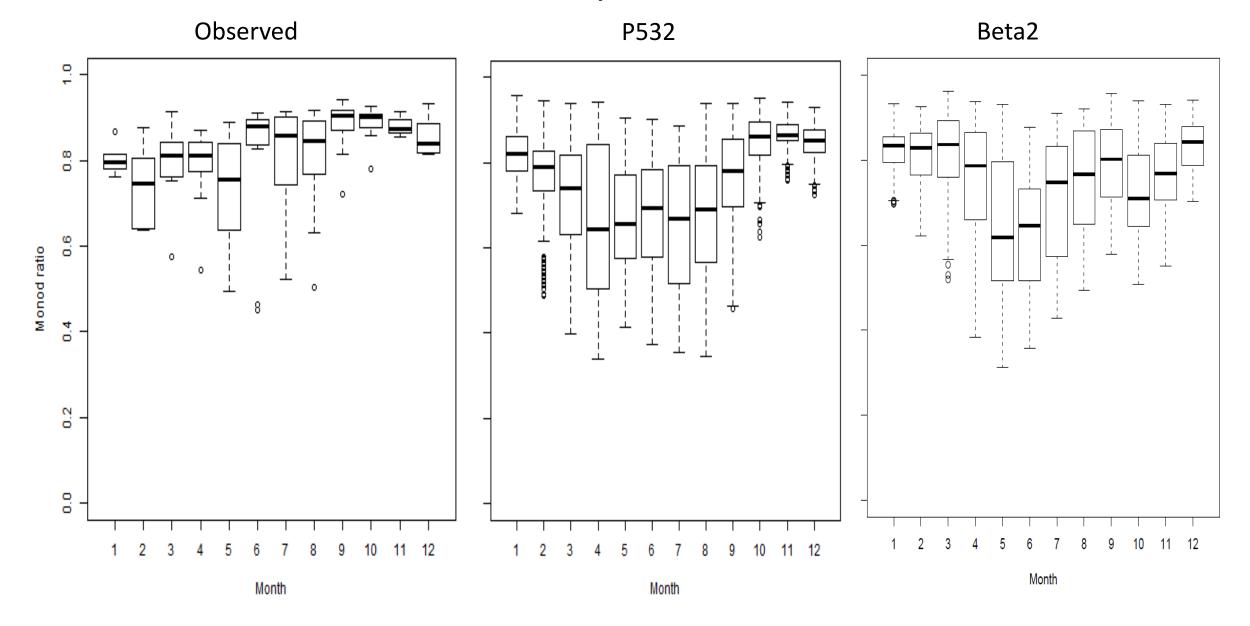
P532 model prediction of relative N-P-Light limitation at CB2 (OH)



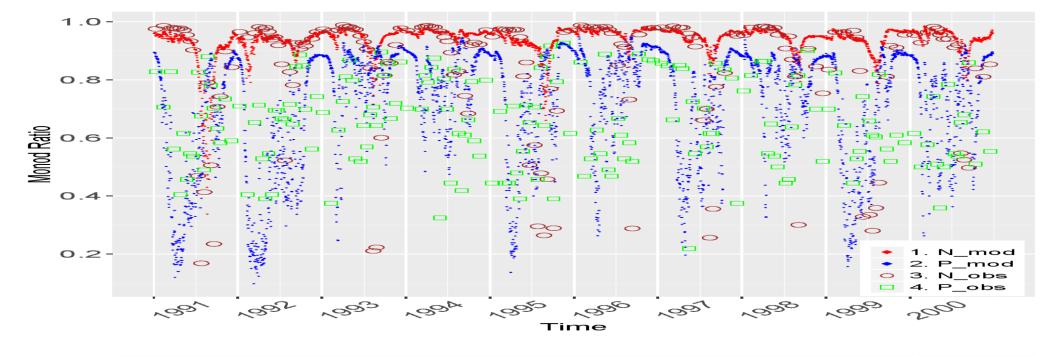
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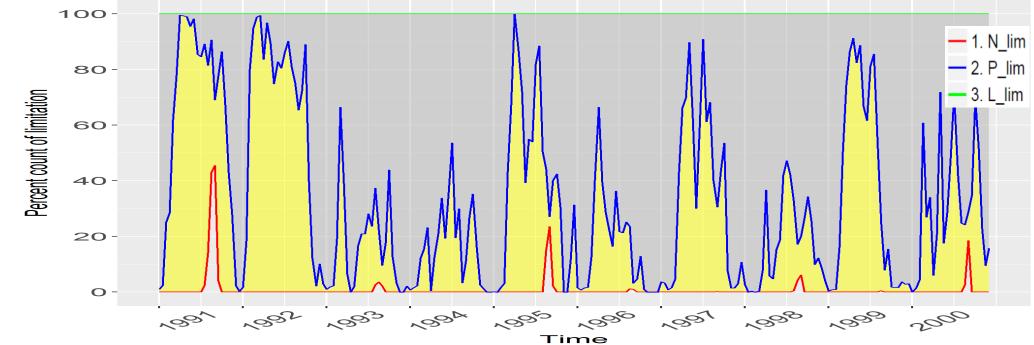
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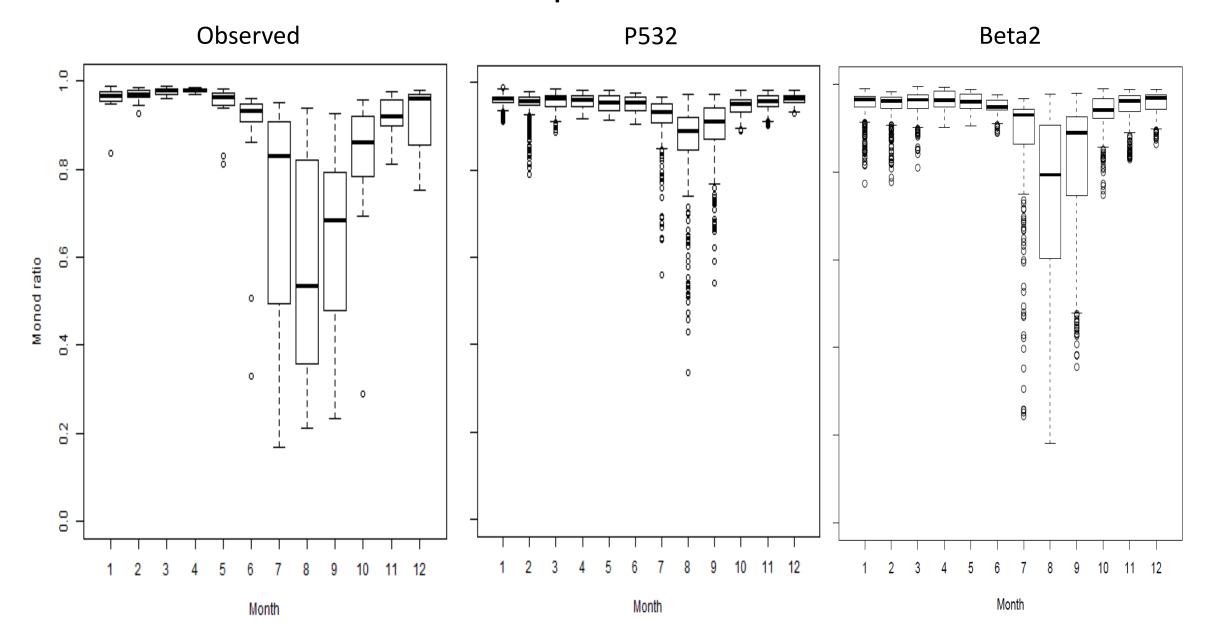
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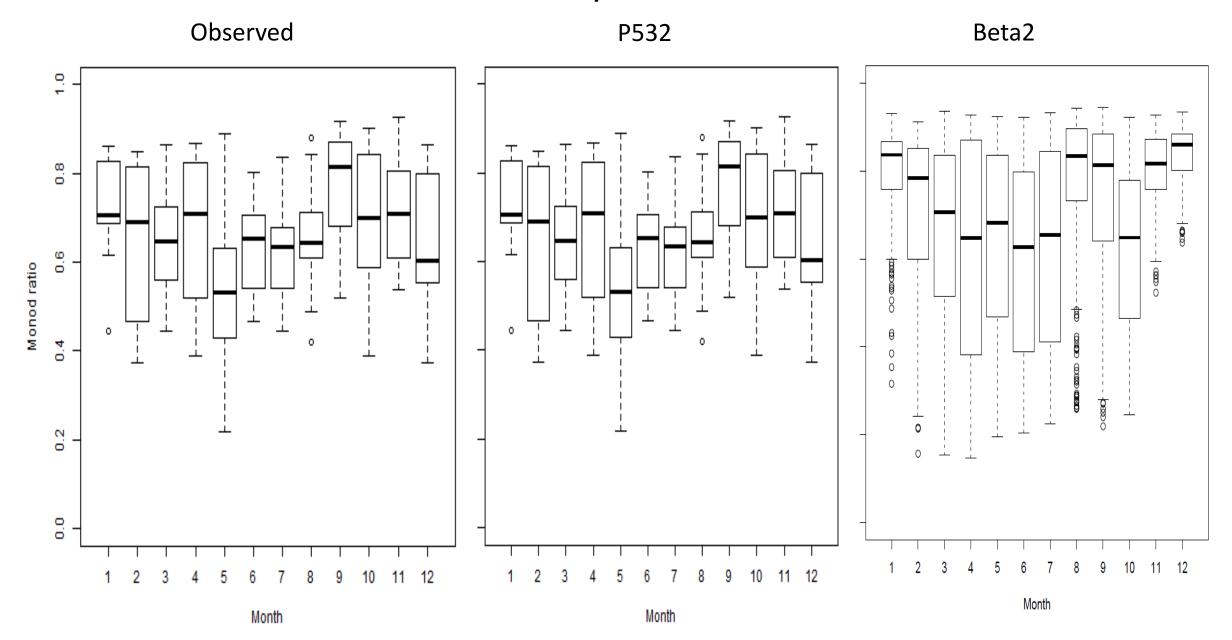
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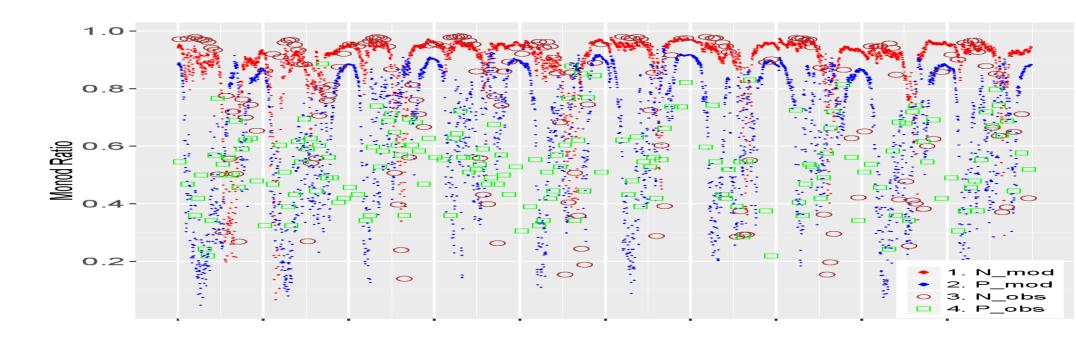
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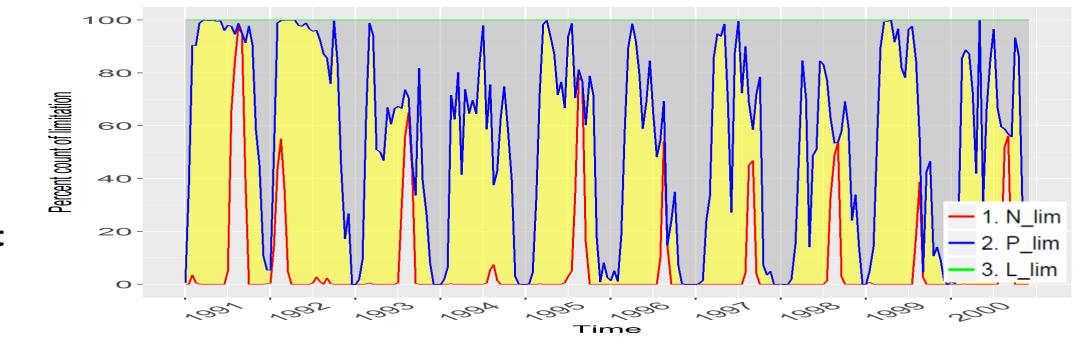
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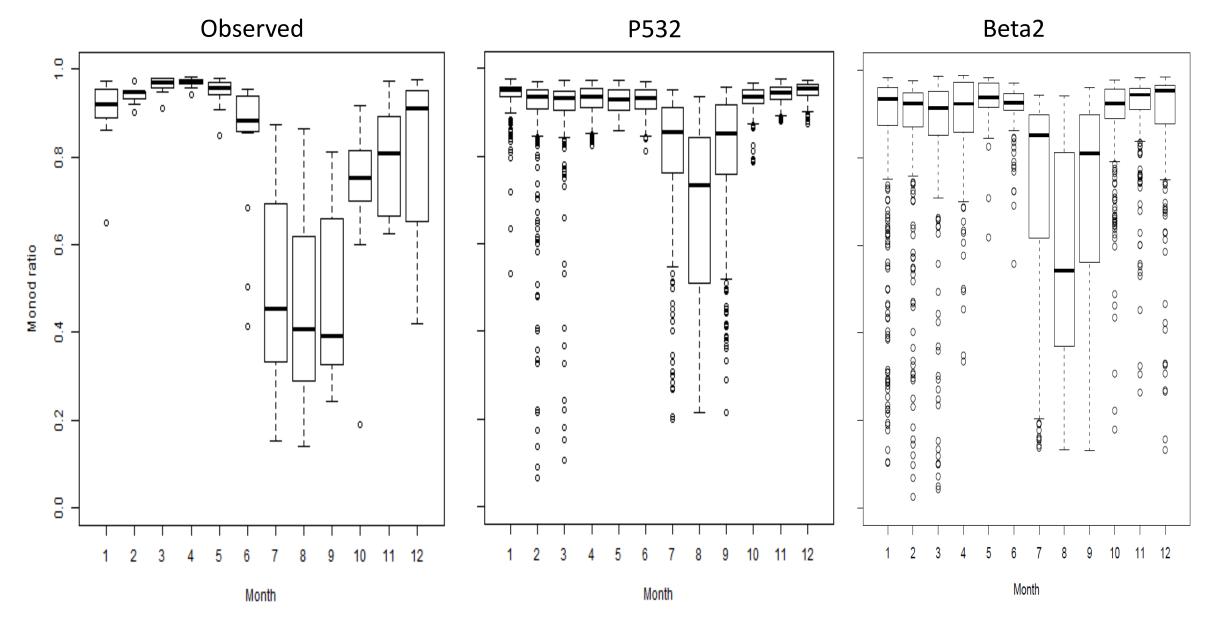
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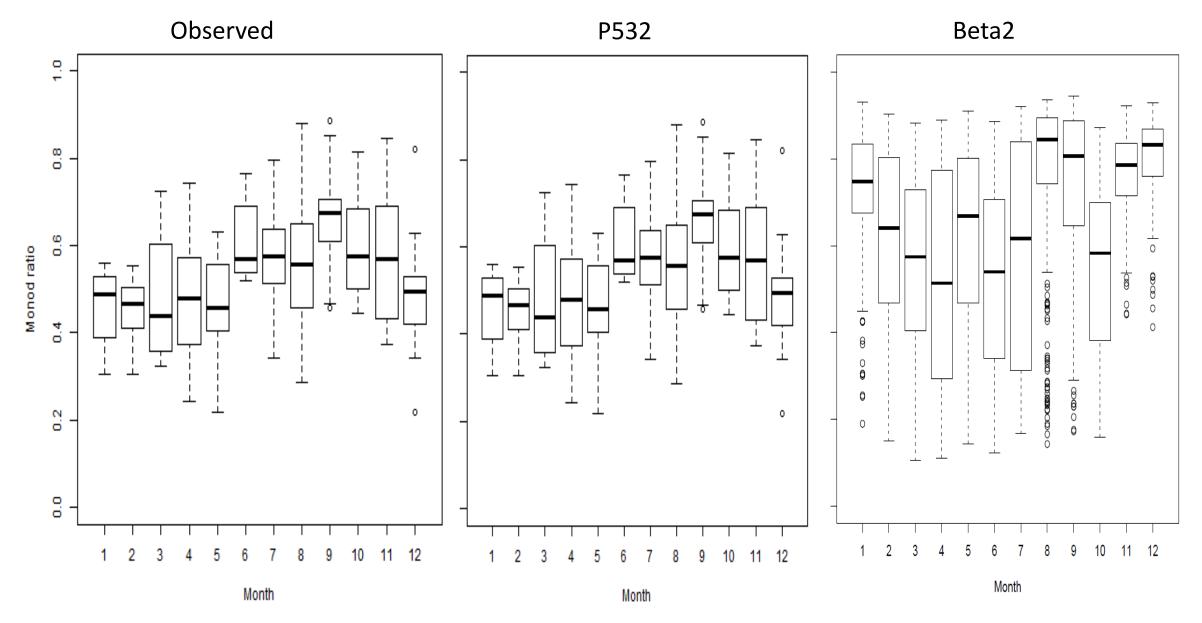
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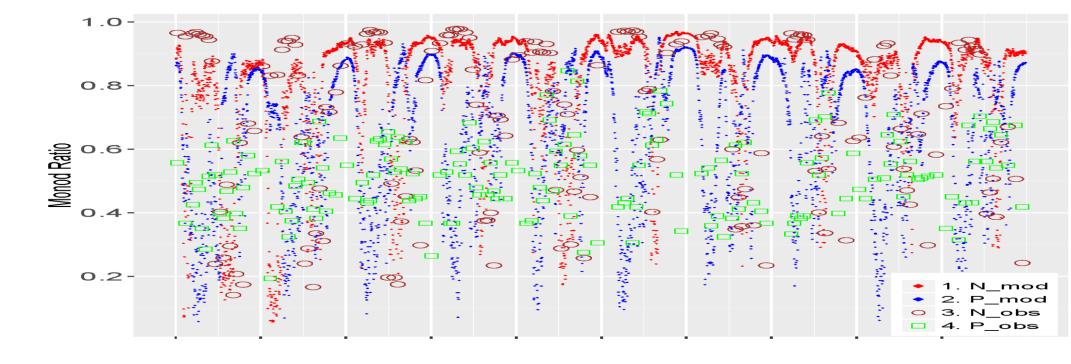
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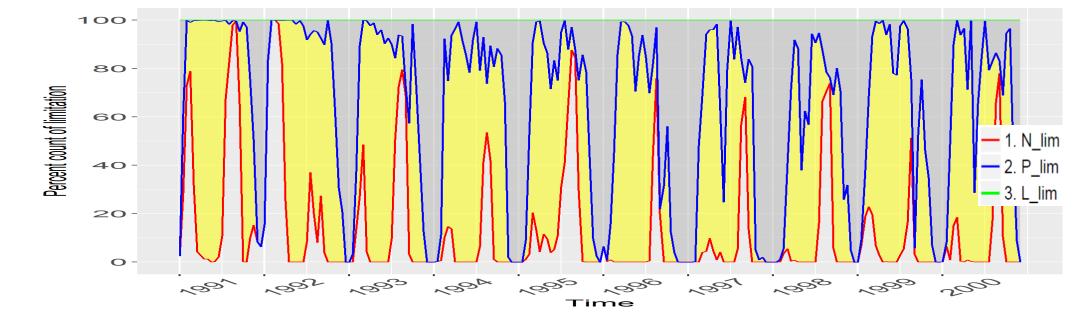
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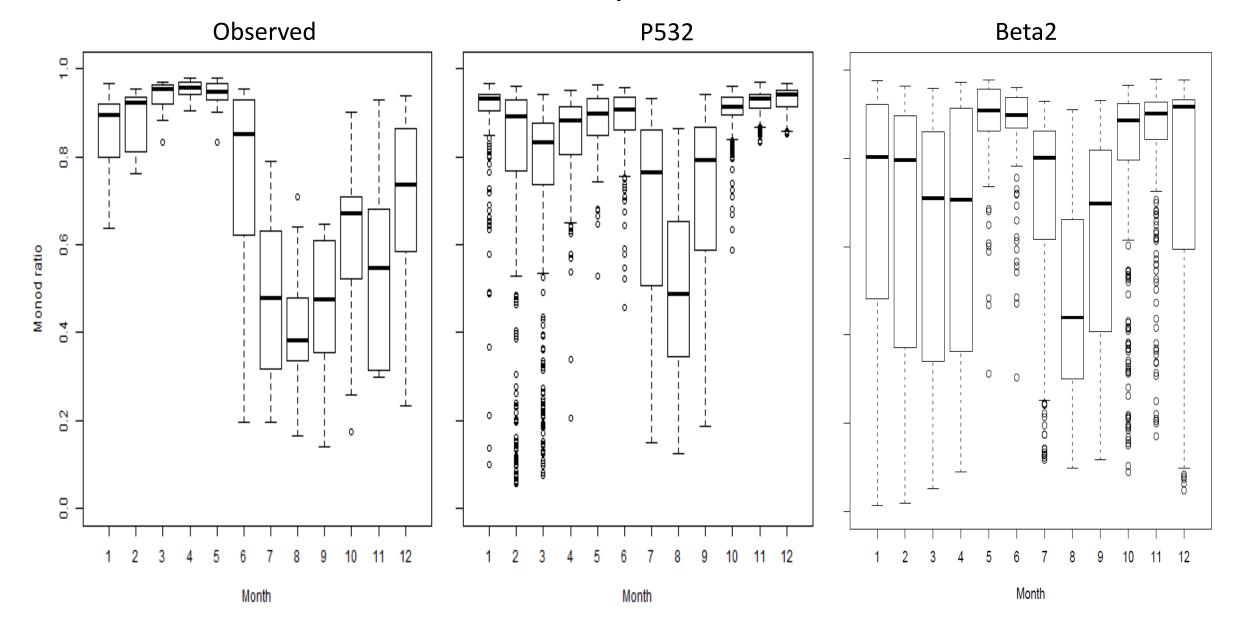
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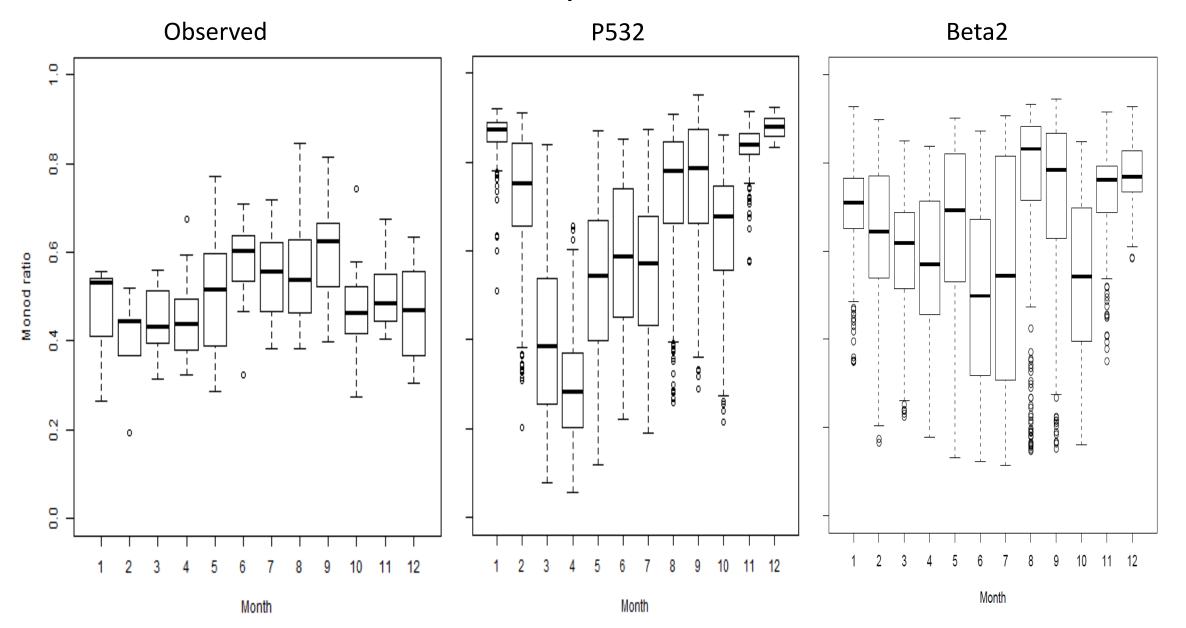
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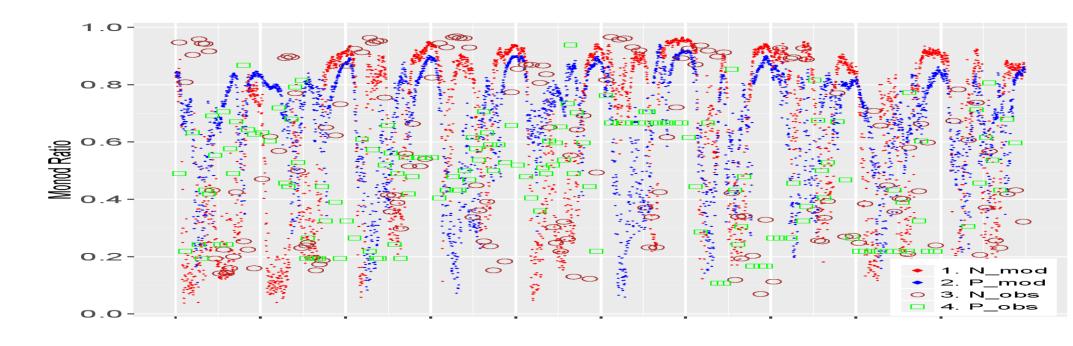
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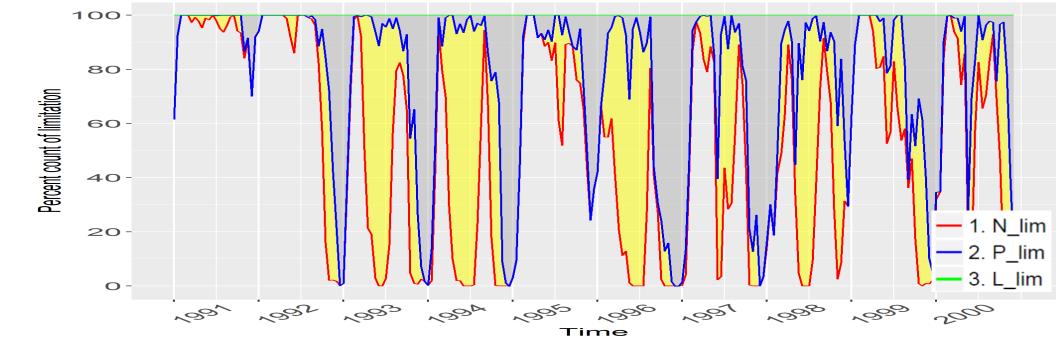
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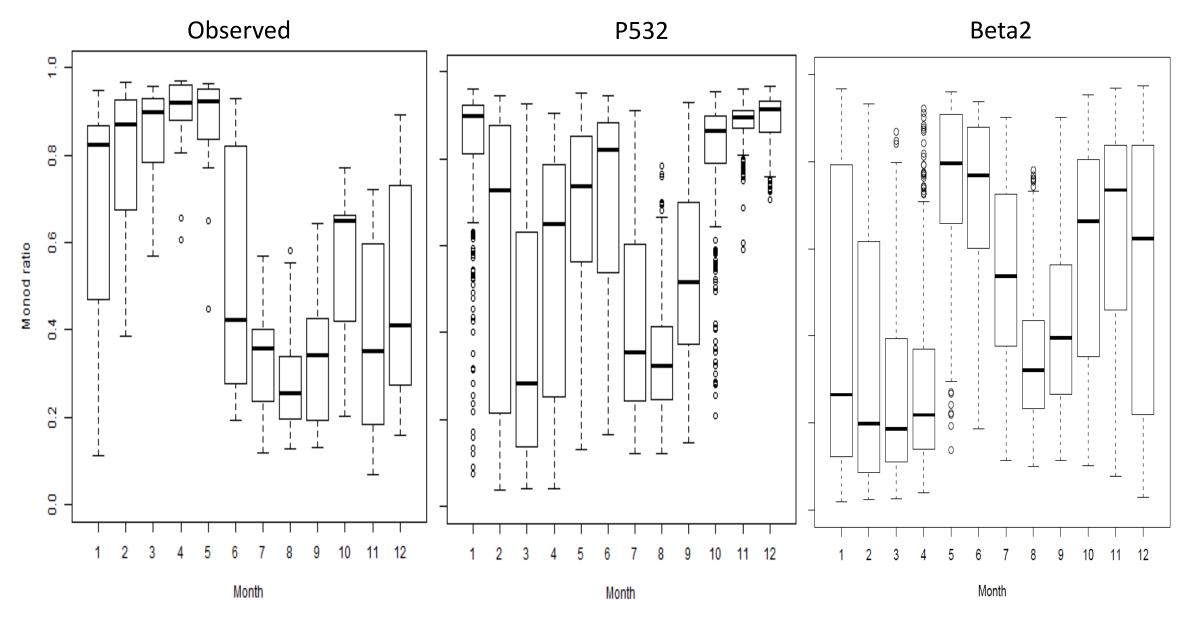
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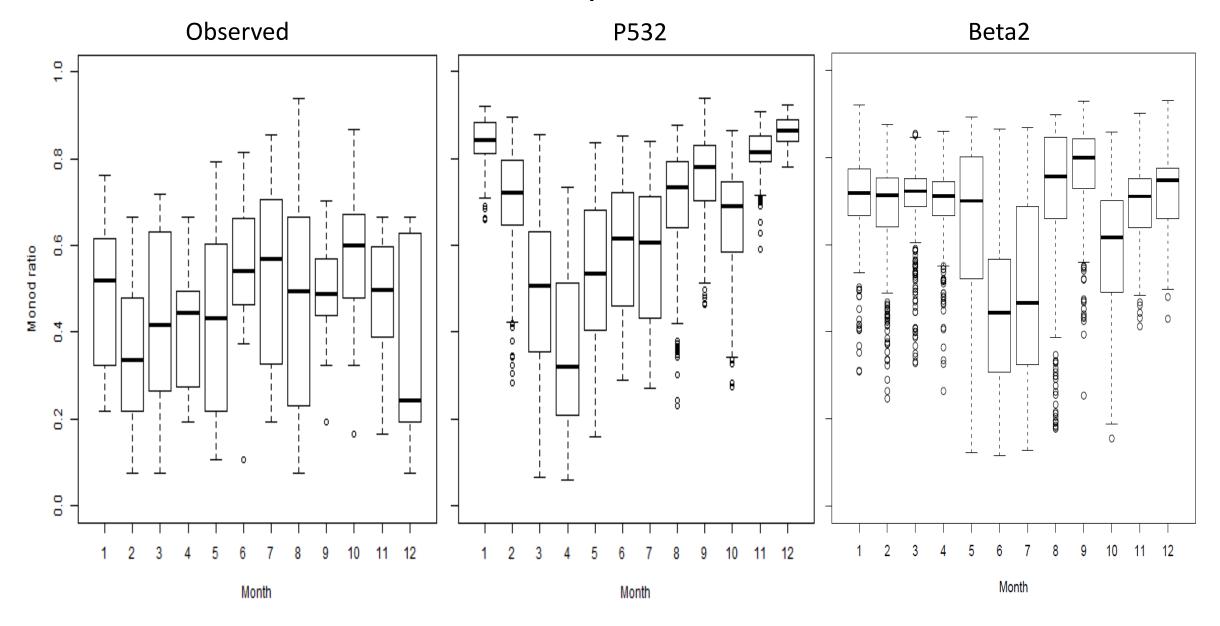
P532 model prediction of relative N-P-Light limitation in CB6 (PH)



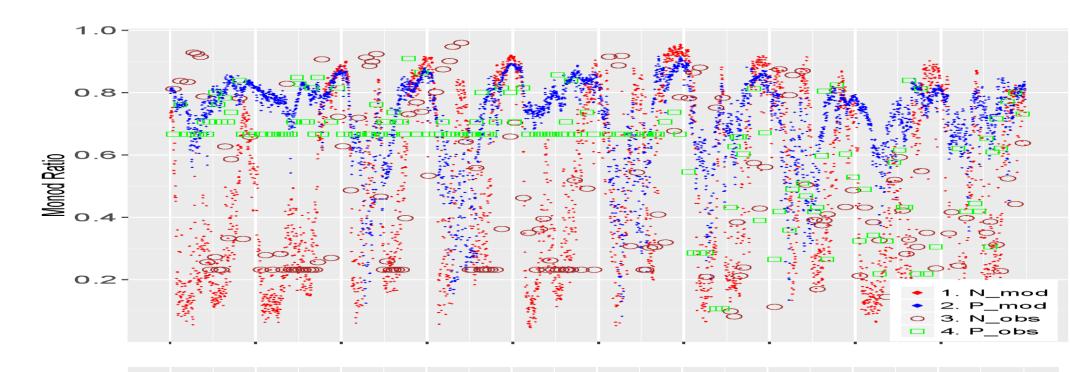
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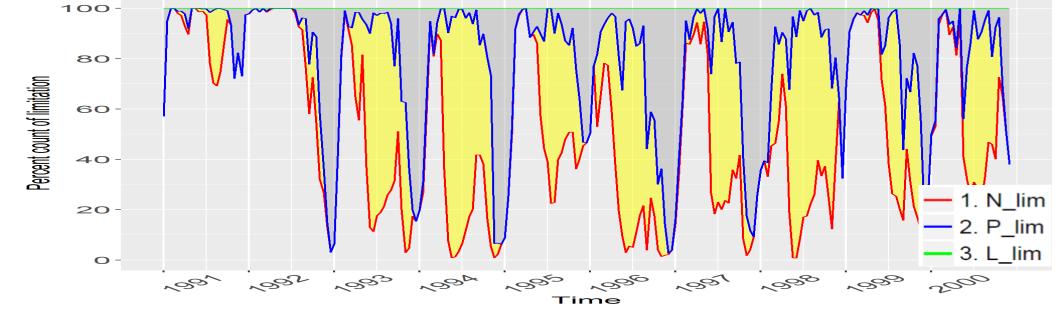
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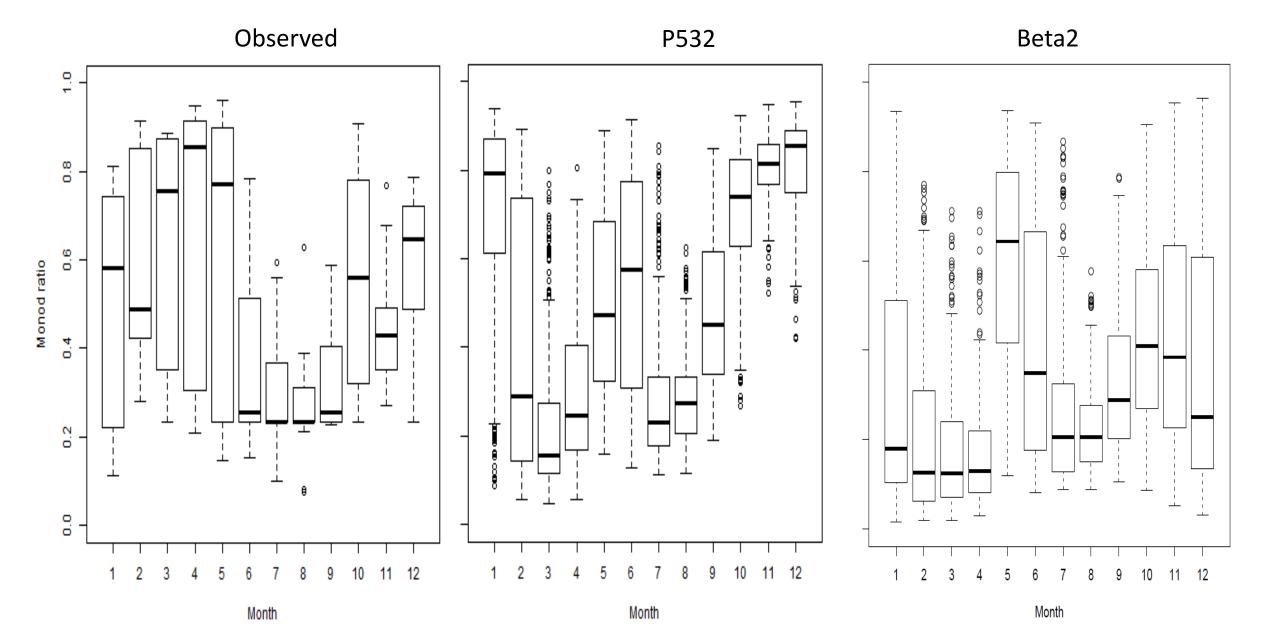
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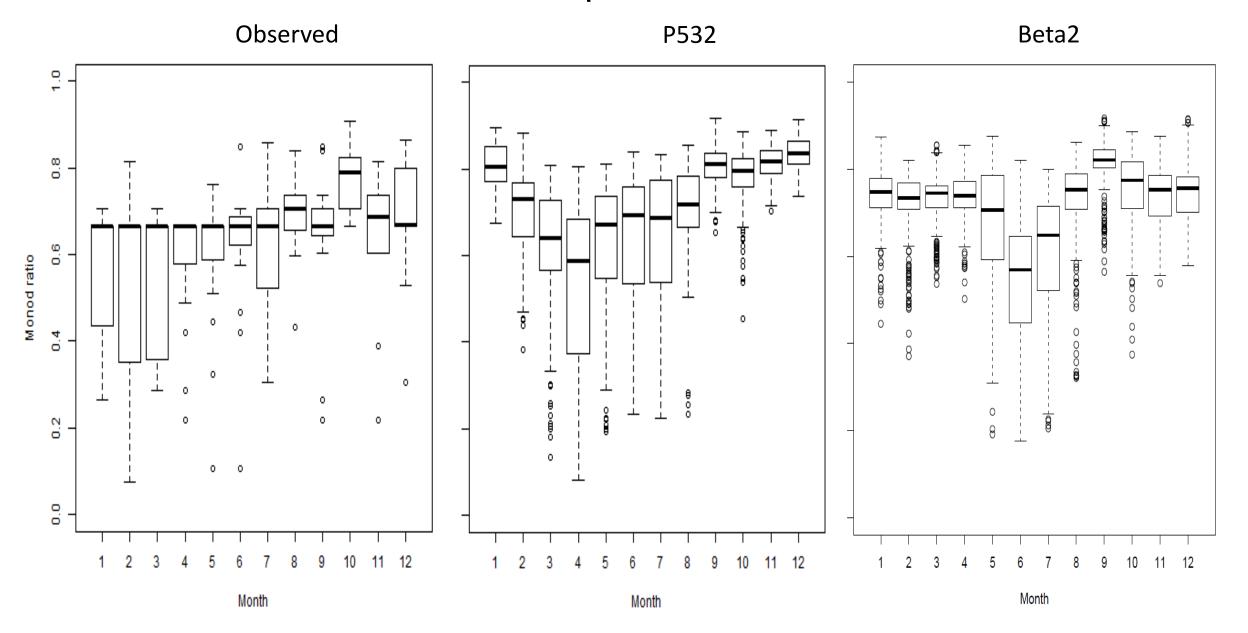
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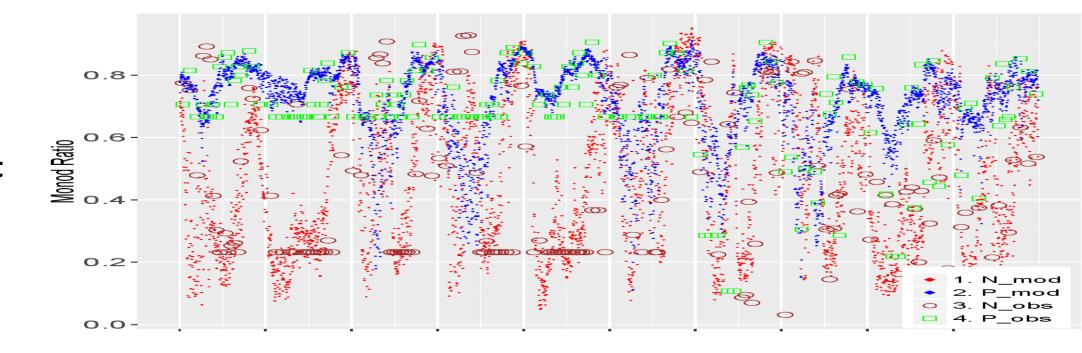
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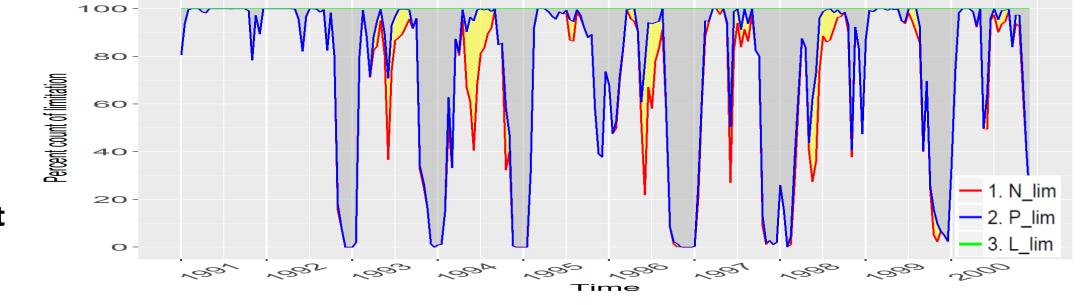
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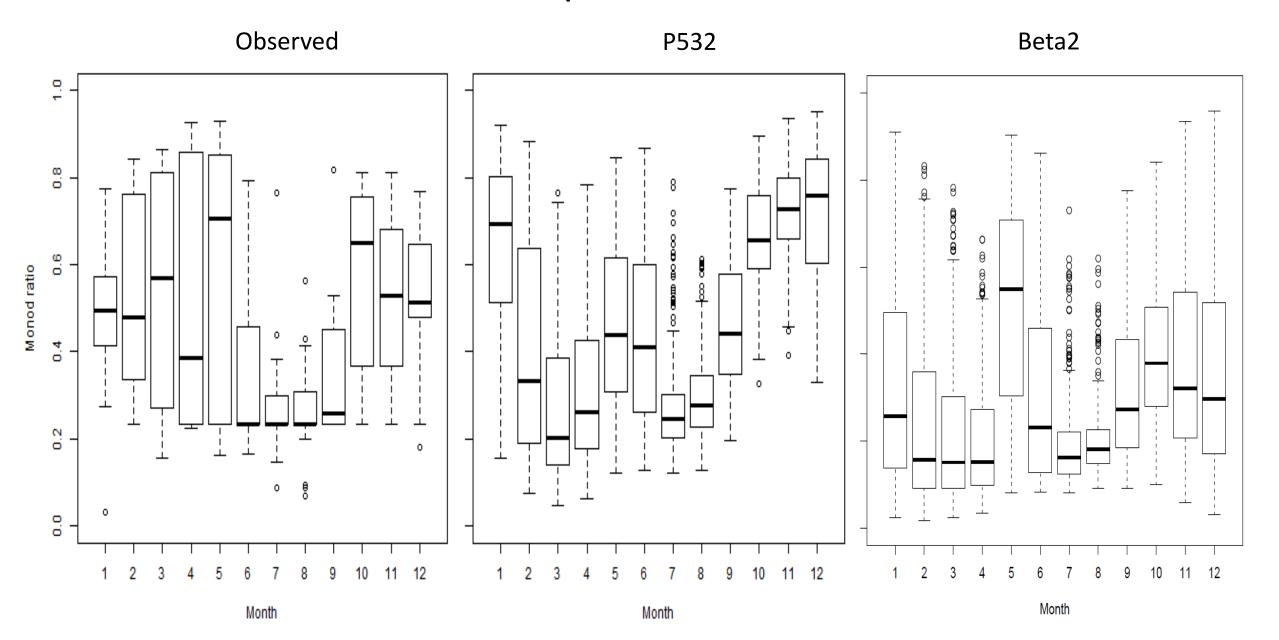
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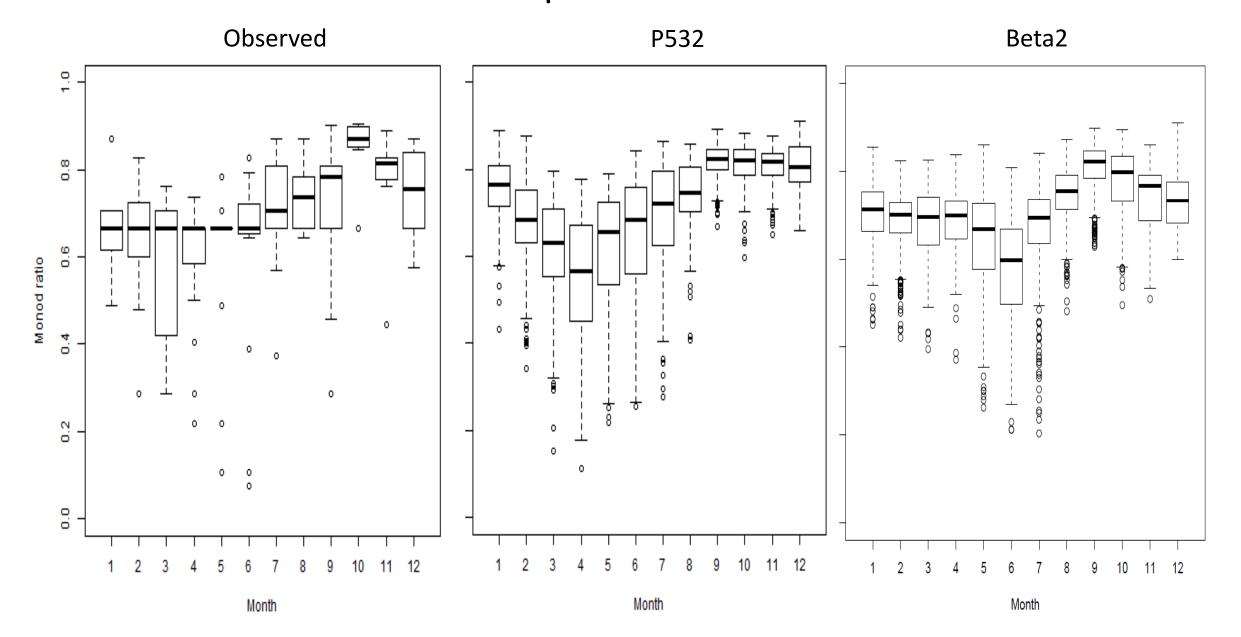
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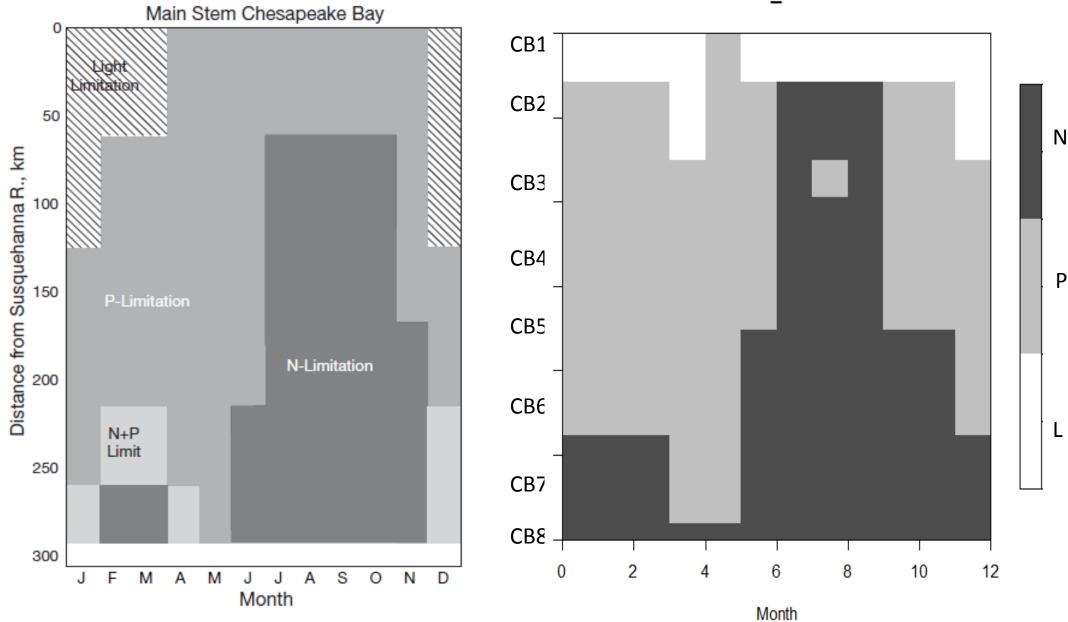


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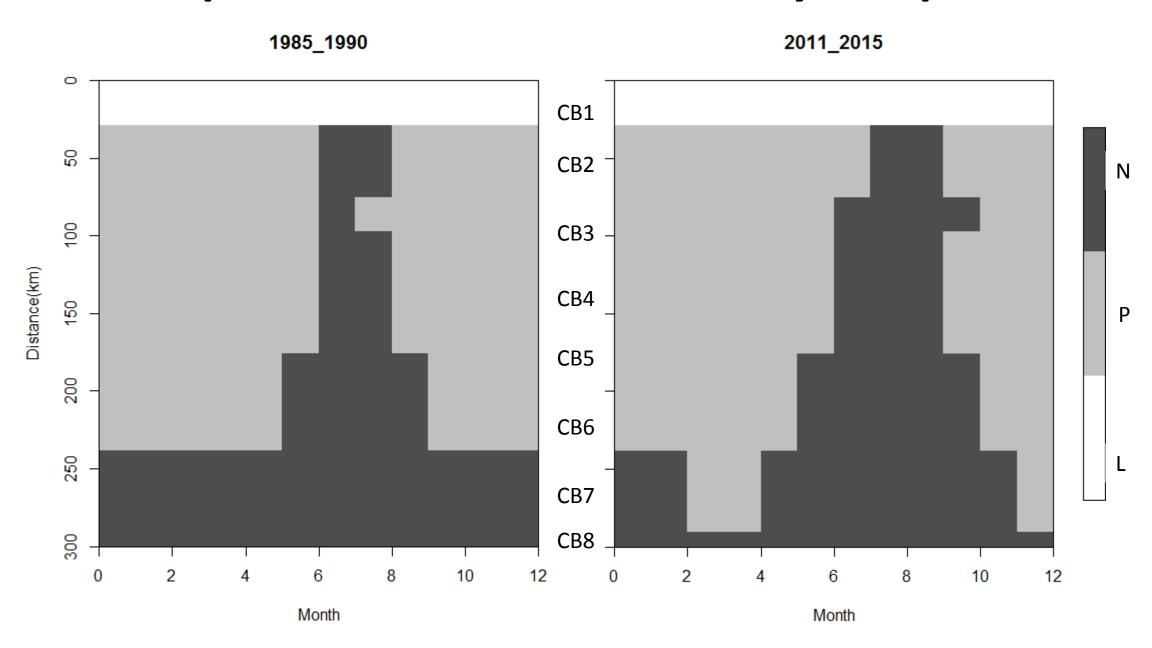


#### **Bioassay**

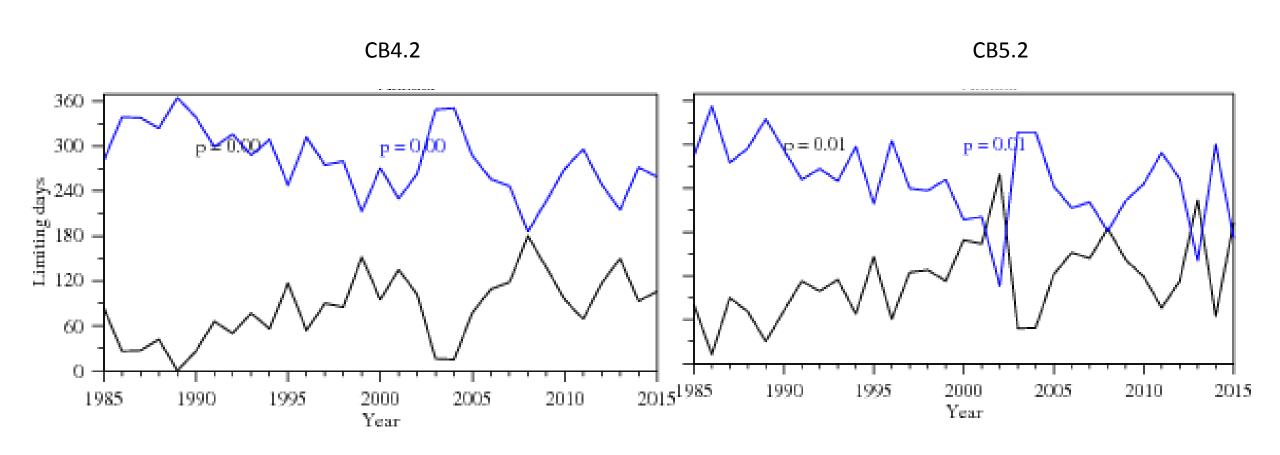
## Concentration data



#### Comparison earlier and later 5-years periods



# Nitrogen (black line) and phosphorus (blue) limiting days per year



### Messages

- Michaelis-Menten function provided coherent estimation of nutrient limitation as compared to bioassay.
- Clear spatial and seasonal shift in nutrient limitation.
- Increasing trend in N-limitation and decreasing trend in P-limitation.
- In general the model reproduced relatively well observation, but tend to underestimate N-limitation and overestimate P-limitation in the upper Bay.